

Gawcott with Lenborough Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Gawcott with Lenborough Parish Council held on Thursday 9th November 2023 at 7pm

Present: Councillors Mr A White (Chairman), Mr T Ulph, Mr T Dugher, Mrs R Bate, Mrs S Burgess, Mr R Gibbs & Mrs J Tofield

Also present: Pam Molloy (Clerk), Buckinghamshire Councillors Mr Stuchbury & Ms Cornell, Buckingham Town Council Councillor Mr Cole and Buckingham Town Plan Officer Ms McMurtrie

Period of Public Participation - None

84. Buckingham Neighbourhood Development Plan

Two members of Buckingham Town Council gave an update regarding the Development Plan for Buckingham which is in the process of being reviewed. Public consultations start on the 20th November and end on the 18th December. Developers roadshow being held on the 27th January. Various items discussed. There is a strip of land that falls within the Gawcott Parish – councillors to review.

85. To receive updates from Buckinghamshire Councillors:

Cllr Cornell advised the following:

- Chasing repairs to the street lights / changing to LED lights.
- Salt bins being filled.
- Helping Hands information leaflet to be circulated.

Cllr Stuchbury advised the following:

- Report regarding current activities circulated.
- Cemetery consultation has ended.
- Housing strategy plan consultation.
- Growth and infrastructure report coming out.
- Fire authorities – gave update.

86. Apologies – Councillor Mr Fealey

87. Declarations of Interest - None

88. Minutes

Council resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on the 12th October, ref: GwLPC/07/23-24.

89. Finance

89.1. Balance of accounts as at 31st October:

- Business Account x2092 - £2,731.88
- Playing Field Account x2967 – £1,443.31
- Deposit Account x5984 - £41,652.05

89.2. Council resolved to make the following payments;

- P Molloy: £444.74 – October net salary and expenses (printer ink & stamps). Online payment.
- HMRC: £14.20 – PAYE Molloy for October. Cheque 001351.
- K Richards: £200 – Pavilion cleaning for October. Cheque 001352.

- K Parker: £280 – Verge and Village Green mowing for October. Cheque 001353.
 - JDB Plumbing & Heating: £120 – Removal and capping off of old radiator pipes. Online payment.
 - EON: £126.62 – Pavilion electricity for October. Online payment.
 - A White: £71.94 – Defib pads. Online payment.
 - Wave: £56.20 – Pavilion water for 9/7/23 to 8/10/23. Online payment.
- 89.3. Council noted payments made by direct debit or standing order:
- A R G Hall: £130 – Securing playing field gate for October.
 - Perceptive Creation: £30 – Managing & hosting website for October.
 - Buckinghamshire Council: £33.50 – Waste collection from pavilion for October.
- 89.4. Council noted the following income received in October: £45.52 bank interest, £435 all weather pitch fees and £53.11 NS&I account interest.
- 89.5. Council resolved the payments and receipts summaries as at 31st October.
- 89.6. Internal Audit 2023-24 – Council resolved the appointment of Mrs D O'Brien, cost £180.
- 89.7. Draft budget 2024-25 – Council reviewed and agreed the following: football club rent to stay as is, cricket club rent £1,000 and clerks hours to increase to 40 from the 1/4/24. All weather pitch fees to be reviewed and a booking system is required. Chairman and clerk to review budget again.

90. Planning

- 90.1. Council reviewed and resolved the following applications:
- 23/03222/CPE – Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use for the continuation of unrestricted use class B2 activities – Green Haven, Main Street. Agreed not to comment.
 - 23/03290/APP - Householder application for two storey rear and two part single storey side extensions - 1 Manor Farm Cottages, Manor Farm Lane. No objection.
- 90.2. Council noted applications awaiting consideration:
- 23/02485/APP – Conversion of agricultural buildings to form a residential dwelling (retrospective) – Lenborough Farm Barns, Hillesden Road, Gawcott
 - 22/03944/APP - Householder application for proposed detached double garage and associated hardstanding, fencing, 1.8m high brick wall, and landscaping - Buildings at Manor Farm, Hillesden Road, Gawcott
 - 22/02689/ADP – Erection of 121 dwellings along with landscaping, garages, roads and all ancillary works (Phase 1) following outline permission ref: 19/00148/AOP – Land at Osier Way, Osier Way, Buckingham
- 90.3. Council noted decisions made by Buckinghamshire Council since the last meeting:
- 23/02586/VRC - Variation of condition 13 (fence) relating to application 06/01447/APP (demolition of factory and erection of 40 dwellings and 6 office units) – 11 Gilbert Scott Gardens, Gawcott. **APPLICATION WITHDRAWN**
 - 23/02587/VRC - Variation of condition 20 (parking) relating to application 06/01447/APP (demolition of factory and erection of 40 dwellings and 6 office units) – 11 Gilbert Scott Gardens, Gawcott. **APPLICATION WITHDRAWN**
 - 23/02597/APP - Change of use of land to use as residential caravan site for 4 gypsy families, each with 2 caravans, together with laying of hardstanding, erection of 4 No. amenity buildings and construction of new access - Land South Of Preston Road, Tingewick. **REFUSED**

- 23/01946/APP - Conversion of a single dwelling house into 4 self-contained residential units, including 7 parking spaces, cycle storage and bin enclosure – The Elms, Radcliffe Road, Gawcott. **APPROVED**

90.4. Other planning issues:

- Buckingham Neighbourhood Plan – See item 84.
- Grendon Prison Appeal decision awaited – No further update.
- Travellers, Radcliffe Road & Preston Road – Preston Road site refused planning.

91. Highways

- 91.1. HS2 Road Safety Fund – Await updated copy of draft traffic calming proposals. Hillesden Road, await answer regarding the 30mph repeater signs. Clerk to chase
- 91.2. HS2 traffic – Cllr White provided an update following his conversation with the HS2 Customer Engagement Manager.
- 91.3. Radcliffe Road speed limit reduction – Await update.
- 91.4. Highways and lighting – Update provided regarding street lights not working.
- 91.5. Traffic data – Cllr Bate has circulated.
- 91.6. Speed signs – Funding application completed on 8/11/23. Council resolved the Section 171 Licence, cost £180-£242 – due to the requirements, we may have to change suppliers, clerk looking into.
- 91.7. Devolved services for verge mowing – clerk to look into.

92. Maintenance and Environment issues

- 92.1. Drainage improvements in Main Street – Phase 1 works completed. Clerk to request an update.
- 92.2. Residents Flood Response Group – Funding application submitted 17/10/23 for the generator and pump. Flood Plan is now on the website. Cllrs White and Fealey to see if HS2 would supply some barriers.
- 92.3. Hodding Wood – Cllr White reviewed rent payment, small uplift to be paid.

93. Pavilion, playing fields and play area

- 93.1. Pavilion refurbishment works – Clerk met with three contractors, quotes: 1) reviewed and approved (GRB Building Services), 2) declined to quote and 3) quote not received. Clerk to apply for funding, £3,000 contribution from the parish council.
- 93.2. Football club – Cllr White to advise to clear items from the pavilion.
- 93.3. Cricket club – Have agreed to carry out the painting (parish council to supply materials).
- 93.4. Play Area – Council noted Rospa checklist ordered, cost £30 + VAT. List of works to be created.
- 93.5. Council resolved new sign, cost £496.46 + VAT and noticeboard, cost £757 + VAT
- 93.6. Caretaker – No further update.

94. Other Parish Council Business

- 94.1. Defibrillator at the Chapel – Clerk has submitted an application for funding on 2/10/23.
- 94.2. Council email addresses – All updated.
- 94.3. Website – Community page being updated.
- 94.4. Council to review/allocate parish/councillor responsibilities. Agreed to defer to next months agenda. Clerk to circulate list.
- 94.5. D-Day 80 6th June 2024 – Council resolved to forward to the Community Group.

95. Community

- Village Hall – Pre-school moving out at Christmas.
- Solar Farm – Update provided, ongoing works with local sports clubs and schools. Looking at other types of services/funding.
- Community Group – Christmas lights 2/12/23. Father Christmas float 10/12/23.

96. Meetings, Events and Training

- Community Boards Meeting – tba
- Parish Liaison Meeting – 24/1/24
- NBPPC – 10/1/24
- A421 Engagement Workshop 2 – postponed.

97. Dates of next meetings – Council to note:

14th December, 11th January, 8th February & 14th March

Meeting closed at 9.55pm

Signed.....Chairman / Date.....